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TAGS: SNAR, HK  
SUBJECT: NIDA COMMUNICATIONS WITH HONG KONG GOVERNMENT

1. IN CONVERSATIONS WITH CONOFF, HK NARCOTICS COMMISSIONER E. E. LEE HAS ASKED THAT ALL COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN NIDA (OR NIDA CONTRACTORS) AND DR. WEN HSIANG LAI BE TRANSMITTED TO CONGEN, THEN PASSED TO DR. WEN EITHER THROUGH HK MEDICAL AND HEALTH DEPARTMENT (MHD) OR HIS OWN OFFICE, AS APPROPRIATE.
2. COMMISSIONER LEE EXPRESSED TWO CONCERNS IN MAKING HIS REQUEST: (A) SINCE HKMHD WILL ADMINISTER NIDA-FUNDED ACUPUNCTURE PROJECT, HKMHD IS THE ONLY PROPER ADDRESSEE FOR NIDA COMMUNICATIONS CONCERNING PROJECT; (B) DR. WEN'S EAGERNESS TO TRY NEW METHODS OF TREATING HEROIN ADDICTION, PARTICULARLY METHODS INVOLVING DRUGS OF UNPROVEN SAFETY AND EFFICACY, SHOULD BE MONITORED BY HKMHD AS THE APPROPRIATE GOVERNMENT PUBLIC HEALTH AUTHORITY.
3. UNLESS NIDA HAS STRONG OBJECTIONS, CONGEN PLANS, IN ACCORDANCE WITH COMMISSIONER LEE'S REQUEST, TRANSMIT RETKA'S MAY 12, 1977 LETTER TO WEN, WHICH DEALT WITH ACUPUNCTURE PROJECT AND WEN'S OBTAINING EXPERIMENTAL DRUGS FROM NIDA, THROUGH HKMHD.

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4. COMMISSIONER LEE SPECIFICALLY EXCEPTED FROM HIS REQUEST PRIVATE COMMUNICATIONS BETWEEN HIMSELF AND NIDA DIRECTOR DR. ROBERT DUPONT. COMMISSIONER LEE'S INTENT IS NOT TO INHIBIT HIS PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH DR. DUPONT BUT SIMPLY TO HAVE CLEAR GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT CHANNELS ESTABLISHED FOR NIDA COMMUNICA-

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